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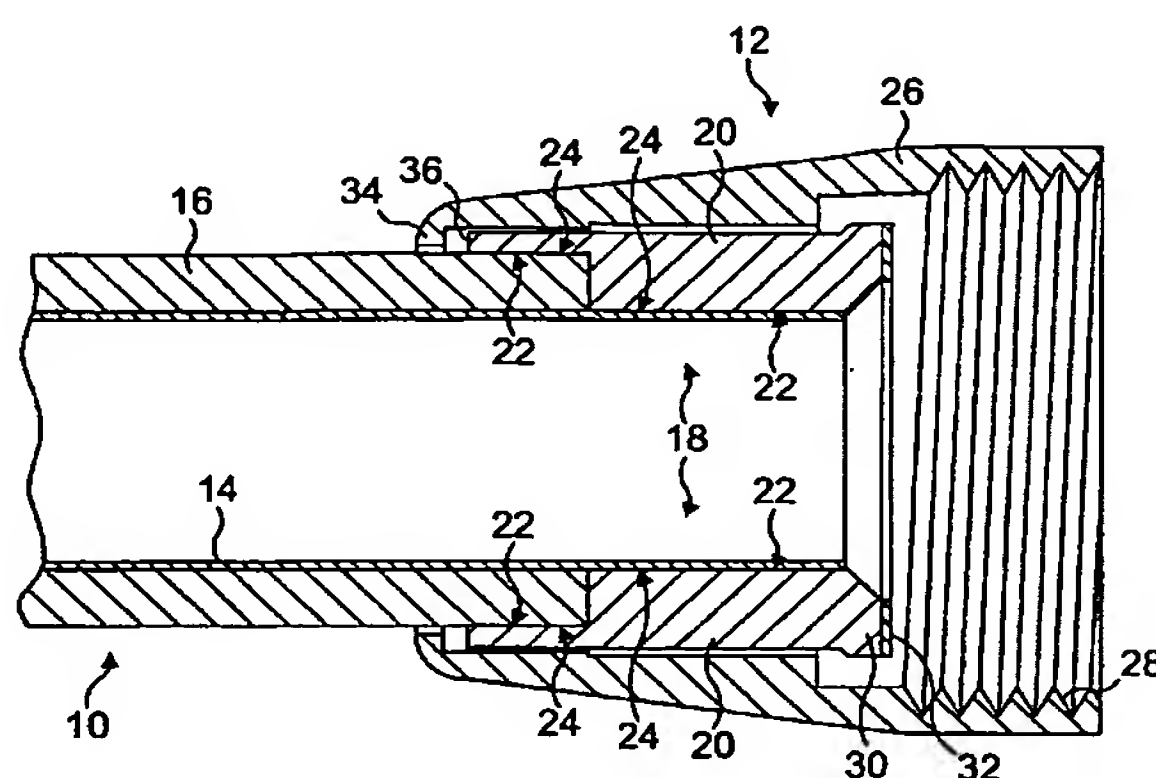
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(57) Abstract: A hose has a connector (12) at an end portion (10) thereof for providing a connection with a unit, the connector comprising a first moulded member (20) having an inner annular surface (22) moulded to an outer annular surface (24) of the end portion to provide a fluid-tight connection with the end portion, and a fastener (26) for fastening the connector to the unit. A method of manufacturing the hose comprises the steps of: inserting a core (80) inside the hose end portion (10) to support the hose end portion during moulding; moulding the first moulded member (20) with the inner annular surface (22) thereof moulded to an outer annular surface (24) of the end portion; withdrawing the core; and positioning the fastener (26) at the end portion for fastening the connector to the unit.

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